### Exploring Sports Betting Opportunities in West Africa

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## Highlighting the Potentials of the Region and Opportunities

#### **West Africa**



401m+
people

Median Age
18.2

years

#### TOP 5

- Nigeria: 206m
- Ghana: 31m
- Ivory Coast: 26m
- Niger: 24m
- Burkina Faso: 20m



189m+
Users

30.99%
Average
Penetration

35,480% Growth since 2000 49m+
Facebook
Users



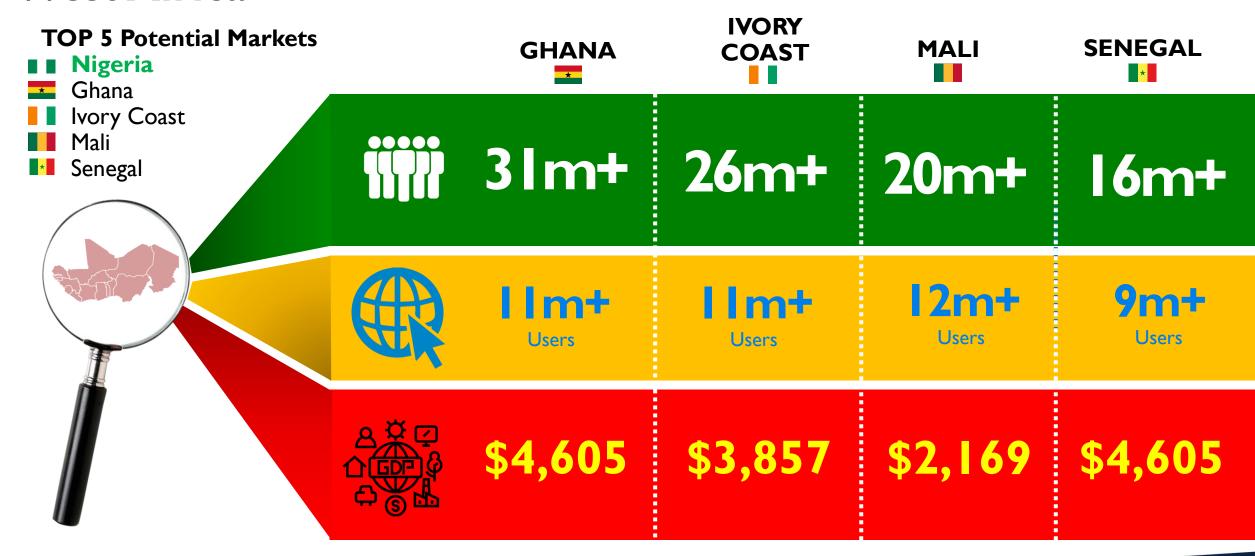
Average

\$2,623

TOP 5

- Nigeria: \$5,927
- Ghana: \$4,605
- Mauritania: \$ 4,474
- **Ivory Coast:** \$ 3,857
- **Cape Verde: \$ 2,820**

#### **West Africa**



## Nigeria



206m+
people

Median Age

8.

years

**TOP 5 facts** 

- Most populous (51%)
- 6 Geopolitical Zones
- Culturally Diverse
- Sports Crazy
- Entrepreneurial



I 26m+
Users

61.2%
Average
Penetration

**62,939%**Growth since 2000

27m+
Facebook
Users



Average

\$5,927

#### **TOP 5 facts**

- Major Oil Exporter
- Largest Economy in Africa
- Home to Africa's Richest
- Emerging Tech & E-Commerce Economy
- Big Entertainment Industry (Nollywood)





50%
West Africa
Population

Median Age

8
years

17.5%
Youth Population



Over 65%
Smartphone Penetration

II3m+
Internet Users
56% Penetration

Smartphone Users by 2025

IOOK+

Betting Agents
"Retail is still King"



Omni Channel Market

#### **TOP 5 facts**

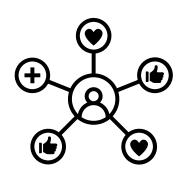
- \$2 Billion Daily Turnover Betting Market
- Largest Betting Retail Operation in Africa
- Fastest Growing Mobile Gaming Market
- Largest Virtual Sports Market in Africa
- About 60 million active punters

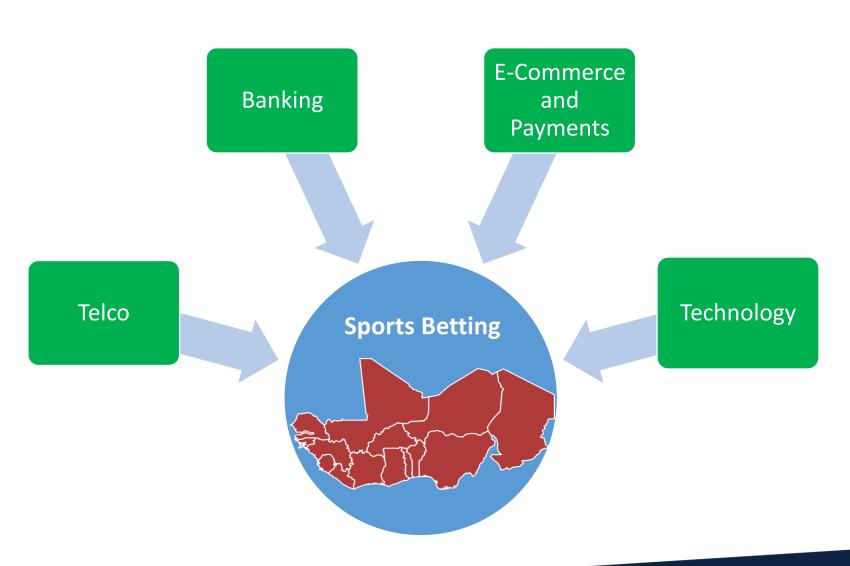
# Why does sports betting thrive in Nigeria?





## Key Sectors influencing Sports Betting in West Africa





#### **Other Areas of Opportunities**

- Opportunity for Mobile Channel Growth
- Localization and improvement of Sportsbook platforms to meet market requirements and realities
- High RTP Virtual Sports demand and introduction of more interesting and engaging games
- Horse Racing in French speaking countries are still on a large-scale manually sold
- Mergers and Acquisition opportunities still required to strengthen the industry
- Exploitation of the immense marketing opportunities the region as got to offer to boost the numbers.



### Thank you

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